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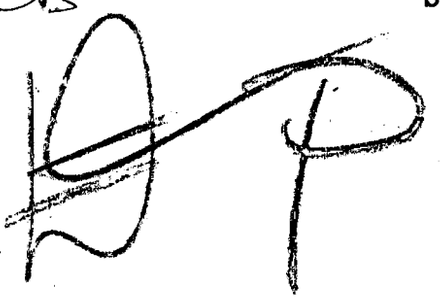

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 87488

Part B for April 1924

SUBJECT

Formation of a new Committee called "Rashtra Seva Samiti" by the section of the Congress Members of the Local congress Committee

CB. 1619

Confidential

Office of the Dist. Magistrate,

Bangalore District.

No. J.C. 700 Encl. 4
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Dated Bangalore, 3rd April 1924.

CB 54-23-87

Dear Sir,

I beg to submit herewith a copy of confidential report No.54 dated 3rd April 1924 from the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Bangalore City, about a new organization called "Rashtra Seva Samiti" formed by a section of the Congress members of the local Congress Committee. Copies of the enclosures to the report of the Assistant Superintendent of Police are also enclosed.

Yours sincerely,

B Venkoba Rao

To

K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Cutting from the "Hindu" dated 2nd April 1924.

CONGRESS WORK IN BANGALORE.

A New Organization.

Rashtra Seva Samiti

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The meeting began with Bhajana and songs. Janab S.N.M. Razvi was proposed to the chair. Messrs. P. R. Ramayya and A.N. Subba Rao briefly explained the object of the meeting viz. to do more efficiently and satisfactorily the National work in Bangalore than is at present being done. The present atmosphere of the State Committee was full of misunderstandings and no work was possible until all quarrels ended. However, it was hoped that the quarrels would soon end and a friendly atmosphere restored. At any rate, at present there was the urgent need of an organisation to band together all the Congressmen who were eager to do work, but found it difficult to do anything due to the reason given above. Therefore the idea of the conveners was to start an organisation of Congressmen which would without friction carry on the various

items of the Congress work. The organisation had nothing to do with the quarrels now prevailing in the State Committee, its object was only to do work. When harmony was restored in the Committee this organisation would merge itself in the State Committee.

Mr. K. Shamanna who is a member of the State Executive Committee opposed the idea of starting a new organisation because that would weaken the central Committee.

Srimatai R. Kalyanamma opined that there was no use of continuing the quarrels, but it would be better to begin some constructive work from the new year.

Sheth Javerichand also supported and said that workers should concentrate on Khadi. He promised to give quarter anna per rupee sale of Khaddar to the new organization.

Sjt. P. R. Ramayya finally explained that this was no rival to the original Committee. Its object was work and work alone. They had waited for about six months, they tried to bring about a compromise, but yet they had not been successful. He hoped that the time was not far off when harmony would be restored in the Committee. But until that time all workers cannot rest idle.

Before resolutions were formally proposed, Janab S.N.M.Razvi who was the Chairman gave his own view that the new organisation would not be a rival to or inimical to the interests of the Congress Committee, because the organisers had clearly stated in their objects that every member of the new institution should be a Congress member. This means, that anybody who wishes to become a member of this body should become a Congress member also. Thus the new organisation strengthens the Congress Committee. Besides when one becomes a Congress member he will also pay to the Tilak Swarajya Fund. Thus the Congress coffers also would be enriched Any work done by this organisation would only enhance reputation and

credit of the Congress. Thus it was unwise to think that the interests of the Committee would suffer by starting this new institution.

Resolutions.

The following resolution was proposed by Sjt. P.R.Ramayya and seconded by Sjt. K. Jivan Rao:

1. ' This meeting of Congress members resolves that an organization under the name of "Rashtra Seva Samiti" be started from today in Bangalore with the object of carrying on the constructive programme of the Congress.'

Mr. C. Narayanaswamy-Iyer alone opposing all else unanimously voted for the resolution.

2. The members of the "Rashtra Seva Samiti" should all be Congress members.

Sjt.A.N.Subba Rao seconded the above. Messrs. Narayanasami Iyer and Venkatavarada Iyengar opposed it saying that it should not be restricted only to Congress members. The majority voted for the resolution.

3. Items of work to include (a) Khadi propaganda (b) Hindi propaganda (c) removal of untouchability, (d) removal of drink evil, (e) establishing unity between different castes and communities.

The above resolution also was duly proposed and seconded and passed.

The following office bearers and Committee members were duly elected:--

President.- Sjt. Shah Dhanji Javerichand, Khadi merchant.

Vice President.- Sjt. K. Sampatgiri Rao,M.A.,Head Master, National

High School.

Hon.Secretary:- Sjt. P. R. Ramayya.

Joint Secretaries: Sjts. A.N.Subba Rao and T.T.Sarma.

Treasurer.- Sjt. Javerichand (for the present).

Committee members.- Sjts. B.V.Subba Rao, S.N.M. Razvi. S.R.S. Raghavan, C.N.Raghavachari, H. Rama Rao, K.L.Subba Rao, K. Gundu Rao, Srimati R.Kalyanamma.

With a vote of thanks to the chair, Bhajana and Aruti the meeting ended amidst cries of xxxxx 'vandemataram' and "Mahatma Gandhi-ki-jai."

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B Srinivasa Rao

District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

No.54.

To

The District Magistrate,

Bangalore District.

S u b m i t t e d.

I beg to report that on the evening of Sunday the 30th ultimo at about 5 P.M. about 40 persons chiefly Congress members of the local Congress Committee had collected and they held a meeting till about 8 P.M. It was ascertained that Mr.S.N.M. Razvi and some others with the volunteers after their split with the Mysore State Congress Committee have started a new Committee called "Rashtra Seva Samiti" i.e. "Congress Service Committee" aided by others to work up the constructive programme of the All Indian Congress Committee as the same is not being properly worked by the Mysore State Congress Committee. The full proceedings of this Committee and the object of its organization appeared in the "Hindu" of 2nd instant, a cutting of which is enclosed for kind perusal.

The enclosed copies of notices appeared on the notice board in front of the Congress Office yesterday. They may kindly be perused.

Sd. K. Mahamad Hussain.
3-4-1924.. Assistant Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore City.

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District Magistrate, Bangalore Dist.

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National Week
Commence from
6.4.24 Fund Collection
begin on yugadi
Wanted Volunteers to
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Soldiers for the army of Indian National Freedom

Qualification - Intense patriotism

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Answer the nation's call

Patriots of Bangalore

The peaceful battle for Swaraj is raging high & victory is nigh. Mourn not when India is free. Not you lie nothing to break the shackles of our Mother. Every man woman & child can do his or her bit. for Bharata matha today. Swadeshi is the key to Swaraj. Destroy our economic bondage - freedom will knock at our door. Take the Swadeshi vow. Shun the foreign cloth as if it were pestilential worm of seven deadly sins. Burn it & destroy it at once. Wear the badge of our Enlightenment. Better go covered with leaves, than with this venomous vesture on our body. Take at once to the spinning wheel & even as you cook your

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CB 1628

OFFICE OF THE
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE

CB 54-23-88

CONFIDENTIAL

Dated Bangalore, 4th April , 1924.

Dear Sir,

I write to inform you that on the evening of Sunday the 30th Ultimo, there was a meeting of the members of the Local Congress Committee in the Bangalore City, when about 40 persons were present. In the discussion that followed a new committee called " Rashtra Seva Samiti " was formed with Mr. S.N.M.Razavi and some others as Office bearers with a view to work up the constructive programme of the All India Congress Committee.

Copy of the report (with enclosures) from the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Bangalore City, is enclosed.

Yours sincerely,

Sd.P.F.Bowring.

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K.R.Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., M.A.,
Second Member of Council,
Bangalore.

Copy of the above is forwarded with compliments

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Inspector General of Police.

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